

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10 through 14 and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer as to their subject matter by this amendment, amend claims 1 through 4, 9 and 15 by this amendment and newly add claims 24 through 27 by this amendment as follows:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A plasma display panel, comprising:

2 upper and lower substrates that are installed to be spaced apart from each other by a
3 predetermined distance and that contain therebetween a plurality of barrier ribs and discharge spaces
4 that are disposed between adjacent the barrier ribs in a display portion of the plasma display panel;

5 a plurality of sets of dummy ribs disposed on one of the upper and the lower substrates and
6 being disposed outside the display portion of the plasma display panel, wherein at least one rib in
7 each set of dummy ribs being a reinforcing rib and a remaining of the dummy ribs being non-
8 reinforcing dummy ribs, said reinforcing rib being ~~different in design from non-reinforcing dummy~~
9 ~~ribs and having a continuous shape~~ a straight line series of closed structures; and

10 a sealant sealing together the upper and lower substrates.

1 2. (Currently Amended) The plasma display panel of claim 1, ~~wherein the reinforcing rib is~~
2 ~~formed of connected closed ring holders, each closed ring holder having a cross-section of a~~
3 ~~predetermined shape~~ wherein the closed structures of the reinforcing rib are connected closed
4 structures.

1 3. (Currently Amended) The plasma display panel of claim 2, wherein the closed ring holders
2 structures have a polygonal cross-section.

1 4. (Currently Amended) The plasma display panel of claim 2, wherein the closed ring holders
2 structures have a circular cross-section.

1 5. (Original) The plasma display panel of claim 1, each set of dummy ribs having three ribs,
2 all in parallel to each other.

1 6. (Original) The plasma display panel of claim 1, wherein each set of dummy ribs having
2 two reinforcing ribs, one of which is positioned closest to the display region and the other is
3 positioned farthest from the display region.

1 7. (Original) The display of claim 1, said display comprising four sets of dummy ribs, one
2 set on each side of said display region.

1 8. (Previously Presented) The plasma display panel of claim 1, wherein the dummy rib sets
2 further comprise a connecting rib adapted to connect neighboring dummy ribs within a set to each
3 other.

1 9. (Currently Amended) A plasma display panel, comprising:

2 upper and lower substrates that are installed to be spaced apart from each other by a
3 predetermined distance and that contain therebetween a plurality of barrier ribs and discharge spaces
4 that are disposed between adjacent the barrier ribs in a display portion of the plasma display panel;
5 a plurality of sets of dummy ribs disposed on one of the upper and the lower substrates and
6 being disposed outside the display portion of the plasma display panel, wherein at least one rib in
7 each set of dummy ribs being a reinforcing rib, said reinforcing rib being different in design from
8 other dummy ribs and having a continuous shape; and
9 a sealant sealing together the upper and lower substrates. The plasma display panel of claim
10 1, wherein the reinforcing rib has a zig zag with multiple bending portions.

1 Claims 10 through 14 (Canceled)

1 15. (Currently Amended) A plasma display panel, comprising:
2 upper and lower substrates which are installed to be spaced apart from each other by a
3 predetermined distance and which contain therebetween a plurality of barrier ribs and discharge
4 spaces that are disposed between the barrier ribs in a display portion of the plasma display panel, the
5 display portion being a portion of the plasma display panel where images are ordinarily formed, said
6 upper substrate having a first plurality of electrodes that are orthogonal to a second plurality of
7 electrodes in the lower substrate; and
8 a plurality of sets of dummy ribs disposed on one of the upper and the lower substrates and
9 being disposed outside the display portion of the plasma display panel, wherein one rib in each set

10 of dummy ribs being a reinforcing rib, said reinforcing rib being a series of sections of a hollow,
11 closed structure. ~~The plasma display panel of claim 10,~~ wherein ribs within each set of dummy ribs
12 being connected by connecting portions.

Claims 16 - 20 (Canceled)

1 21. (Previously Presented) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib being
2 adapted to withstand sandblasting.

1 22. (Previously Presented) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib being
2 adapted to better withstand sandblasting than the non-reinforcing dummy ribs.

1 Claim 23 (Canceled)

1 24. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib extending a length of a
2 display area of the display along a longest edge of the display area.

1 25. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 1, the reinforcing rib having a length of a
2 plurality of said closed structures and a width of only one of said closed structures.

1 26. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 25, the reinforcing rib being a straight line

2 series of connected closed structures.

1 27. (New) The plasma display panel of claim 1, each of the dummy barrier ribs being parallel
2 to each other and to an edge of a display region of the display.